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SUBMISSION OF TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, submitted herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer which obviates the rejection of claims 1 and 14 for obviousness-type double patenting.

Also attached is check for \$110.00 in payment of the government fee. If any additional payment is required, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 02-2135. An extra copy of this letter is attached for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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The undersigned is an attorney of record.

The terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d) is included.

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